Committee Room October 30, 1864

To the Honorable F. S. Stockdale, President of the Senate:

The Committee on Confederate Relations has considered the accompanying joint resolution, and are of the opinion that any action by the Legislature upon the subject contemplated therein is unnecessary; we therefore recommend their indefinite postponement.

The Committee think they comprehend the object of the move, which is to equalize the burdens of this struggle and cause all alike, irrespective of age, to contribute to the resources of the Army and governments, yet this seeming inequality is not the result of the partial or class legislation on the parts of the Confederate Congresses but is the result of natural and uncontrollable causes which no human power can equalize.

The Committee might argue and illustrate, but deem it too apparent to escape the observation of Senate.

Respectfully submitted, J. W. Durant, Chairman

Mr. Wootten, one of the Committee on Printing, reported a bill to amend the act to regulate publication notices in certain cases and asked that it be referred to the Judiciary Committee.

The Senate then went into Committee of the Whole on joint resolutions concerning peace, reconstruction, and independence. After some time spent therein, the Committee rose and reported progress and asked leave to sit again at 3 o'clock P.M.

Mr. Hartley offered the following resolution: ¹⁰ The Senate then adjourned until 3 o'clock P.M.

3 o'clock P.M.

Senate met. Roll called. No quorum. Whereupon the Senate adjourned until 9 o'clock A.M. on Monday next.

Monday, October 31, 1864, 9 o'clock A.M.

Senate met. Roll called. Quorum present. The Journal of Saturday was read and adopted.

Mr. Dickson, one of the Committee on the Penitentiary, reported on behalf of the Committee a bill author-

¹⁰This resolution cannot be located in the Archives.

izing the use of the Penitentiary for military convicts and recommended its passage with amendment to strike out "District" and insert "Department."

Mr. Burney, Chairman of the Committee on Private Land Claims, reported a bill for the relief of the heirs of Thomas Moore, deceased, and recommended its passage.

Mr. Throckmorton introduced a bill supplementary to an act authorizing the Comptroller of the State to receive from railroad companies in this state the interest that may be now due or hereafter to become due on their bonds approved December 16, 1863. Read 1st and 2nd times and referred to Committee on Finance.

Mr. Dickson offered the following: Resolved, That the Governor be respectfully requested to inform the Senate of the number of wagons, ambulances, horses, mules, and sets of harnesses retained when the Frontier Regiment was turned over to the Confederate States and what disposition has been made of the same. If any of the above should still be on hand, what use is being made of them? Adopted.

Mr. Guinn offered the following: Resolved, That the Committee on Military Affairs be requested to take into consideration that propriety of removing from the Frontier Organization all single men therein and report by bill or otherwise as early as practicable. Adopted.

The resolution offered on yesterday by Mr. Hartley relative to an expression of the Senate upon the support and maintenance of soldier's families was considered and laid over informally until 3 o'clock P.M.

Mr. Ford then introduced a bill to amend Article 140, Title III, Chapter IV, Code of Criminal Procedure. Read 1st and 2nd times and referred to Judiciary Committee.

The Senate then adjourned until 3 o'clock P.M.

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Senate met. Roll called. No quorum. Whereupon an adjournment until $\frac{1}{4}$ past 9 o'clock A.M. tomorrow was moved and carried.

Tuesday, November 1st, 1864 9½ o'clock A.M.

Senate met, roll called, quorum present. The Journal of yesterday was read and adopted.